PUBLIC NOTICE

Subject: Inviting comments from the Stakeholders on the proposal of Minor changes in the formulations- -reg.

The Registration Committee (RC), in its 413th meeting (vide agenda item no. 3.10) held on 03.03.2020, 06.03.2020 and 09.03.2020 respectively, deliberated the issue of improving the quality of the existing formulations with respect to its safety and efficacy. During deliberations, the following facts have been considered by the RC:

(i) In the past various formulations have been registered containing carcinogenic chemicals like Xylene, Benzene or Toluene as solvents in formulations. There may also be some formulations registered with adjuvant in their chemical composition whose hazardous nature has been ascertained in due course of time.

(ii) Dr.S.K. Malhotra Committee has also suggested elimination of carcinogenic chemicals such Xylene, Benzene or Toluene, which are part of chemical composition of many formulations.

(iii) RC has also being deliberating on the requirement of minor changes in its various meetings.

(iv) Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA) and PFOA related compounds which are listed in the Annexure A (Elimination) of Stockholm Convention.

2. Taking into consideration of the above fact, the RC decided as under:

"RC deliberated the agenda and noted that hazardous solvents like Xylene, Benzene and other chemicals like PFOA are part of chemical composition in many Certificate of Registrations issued for manufacture or import of pesticides. In this regard RC decided to invite comments from the stakeholders. A Public Notice may be issued for the same inviting comments giving 30 days time to the stakeholders."

3. In view of above, stakeholders are requested to provide comments on the above proposal within 30 days of issue of the Public Notice.

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